The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton - Council Meeting

Agenda Number: 7.2.

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Title: Motion: CANDU Reactors

Date: Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Moved By: Chris Peabody
Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

Be it resolved that the County of the Municipality of Brockton supports the resolution presented by Bruce County Council regarding the continued operation, refurbishment, and expansion of the CANDU fleet in Bruce County and across the Province when making decisions regarding Ontario's future energy infrastructure projects as below:

Whereas CANDU nuclear reactors have provided decades of reliable, safe, and clean energy, contributing significantly to Ontario's energy grid while reducing greenhouse gas emissions;

And Whereas CANDU is the only commercial reactor to produce medical isotopes, stabilizing the worlds supply for much needed life saving isotopes;

And Whereas the continued operation and investment in CANDU reactors represent a critical pillar of Ontario's energy strategy, ensuring a stable, low-carbon source of electricity to meet both current and future energy demands;

And Whereas Bruce County is home to the largest operating CANDU facility in Canada, which generates significant economic benefits through employment, supplier contracts, and infrastructure development;

And Whereas CANDU technology, developed in Canada, remains a leading example of national innovation, energy independence, use of Canadian uranium, and the potential for global export of expertise and technology;

And Whereas the long-term operation of the CANDU fleet in Bruce County aligns with Ontario's commitment to a clean energy future and further supports economic resilience through the province's investments in energy innovation and infrastructure:

And Whereas to date, NWMO has largely built their assumptions around storing existing spent nuclear fuel from CANDU reactors that utilize natural uranium as their nuclear fuel;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That Bruce County Council formally recognize the strategic importance of the CANDU nuclear reactors as a cornerstone of Ontario's energy strategy, contributing to energy security and economic development;

That Bruce County Council express its support for the continued operation, refurbishment, and expansion of the CANDU fleet in Bruce County and across Ontario;

And That this resolution be circulated to all local municipalities within Bruce County, neighbouring counties, the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Energy, the Minister of Rural Affairs and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and the Prime Minister and the Federal Minister of Natural Resources for their consideration and support.

And Further That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton directs that a copy of this supporting resolution be provided to Bruce County Council.

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